

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....(668-7916) Joe Collins  
 Lead Singing.....Jeff McVey  
 First Prayer.....Paul Hurst  
 Reading.....Cory Prince  
 Scripture.....John 6:10-14  
 Lord's Table (N).....\*Bobby Ashford  
 (S).....\*Dale Bennett  
 (N).....Shannon Griffin  
 (N).....Caleb Graves  
 (N).....Darron Dixon  
 (S).....Jacob Griffin  
 (S).....Robert Elam  
 (S).....Dwight Barrett  
 Sermon.....*Bread of Life* - Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Zollie Settles

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....(668-7916) Joe Collins  
 Lead Singing.....Jeff McVey  
 First Prayer.....Kane Maynard  
 Reading.....Jared Mullican  
 Scripture.....Genesis 37:2-4  
 Lord's Table.....\*Jeff Flatt  
 .....\*Brandon Fuston  
 Sermon.....*Life & Times of Joseph* - Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Bob Cantrell

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....John David Keele  
 Lead Singing.....Michael Andrews  
 First Prayer.....Ricky Prince  
 Reading.....Aiden McVey  
 Invitation.....Larry Flatt  
 Dismiss.....Don Griffith

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.....Stanley & Jean Clendenon  
 P.M.....Stanley & Sherry Graves

Bus Driver:.....Randall Gann (580-6252)

Ushers: .....Tim Fisher, Mitchell Ferrell, Bruce Pryor  
 Attend Nursery: .....Mary Flatt  
 Un/Lock Building: .....Jeff Templeton/Don Griffith  
 Prepare Communion: .....Michael Andrews Family  
 Assist Baptisms: .....Jean Clendenon & Kara Fuston

Pantry Item: .....Tuna Fish

Elder Closing Remarks: .....Leonard Clemons

**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship.....325  
 Bible Study.....252  
 P.M. Worship.....230  
 Wednesday Bible Study.....196  
 Contribution.....\$8,410

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**Services**

<i>Sunday</i>		<i>Wednesday</i>	
A.M. Worship	9:00 AM	Bible Study	7:00 PM
Bible Study	10:15 AM	<i>Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)</i>	
P.M. Worship	6:00 PM	Monday Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM

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## Sick & Shut-in

### At Home:

Allen Hughes  
Linda Hamilton  
Cindy Fisher  
Juanita Oliver  
Angie Jones (Mary Ashford's sister)  
June Crouch  
Doyle & Barbara Pryor (Bruce's parents)  
Brenda Davis (Paul's wife)  
Tommy Bonner (friend of Zollie Settles) - cancer

### In The Hospital:

Winfrey Hennessee (shingles, in isolation) - NHC  
Bill Brown - River Park #220  
Morris Young (brother of our Farris Young) -  
surgery this week at St. Thomas West

Please help us keep the sick list up-to-date. If you know of someone sick or in the hospital, please inform the announcer or call the church office.

## Sermon Topics

Sunday AM .....Bread of Life  
Sunday PM. ....Life & Times of Joseph

## Role Models

"He who walks with wise men will be wise. But the companion of fools will be destroyed" (Proverbs 13:20, NKJV).

It has been said by some professional athletes that they desire not to be role models. When I hear this I marvel at the naiveté because each person is influential to some varying degree, and it can't be anything but this way. Thus we can't control whether or not we are influential, but we can control what others see and hear in us. The wise one gains wisdom from the wise, and the righteous one gains righteous wisdom from One who is the standard of righteousness (John 14:6). The fool, on the other hand, is also influential, but his influence not only destroys himself—it leads to the destruction of others who follow in his footsteps

~ Ron Thomas ~

## Youth News

Congratulations to those who participated in **BIBLE BOWL**. Our team did not miss a question! Outstanding!!! The next test will cover Ecclesiastes chapter's 5-8. I want to issue a challenge to our youth group and parents. I love seeing the satisfaction in our youth as they accomplish their goal of coming in first place. However, here is my challenge. I would love to see us have 20+ for the next competition at Mt. Leo in February. It has been a while since we have had that many participate. Parents, will you help me encourage your kids to be a part? Thanks in advance!

Lord willing, 14 of us (8 high school youth, 5 college age, and myself) will head-out this Friday for Savannah, TN and **EVANGELISM UNIVERSITY** and **EU2**. This is not only one of our favorite events but I personally consider it one of our more important ones. Each person will be given opportunities to strengthen his or her faith, but especially gain confidence in evangelizing to their peers. I am so appreciative that our elders allow us this weekend and I humbly solicit your prayers for safe travels and a renewed commitment to be the ambassadors for Christ our Father calls us to be.

The next **TaBS** (TeenAge Bible Study) is Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Hillsboro will be the host congregation and the assigned topic is **Unity** taken from the song "We Will Stand." We will leave at 4:15 pm. Let's fill the bus!

"**WORSHIP NOTES FOR KIDS**" on the foyer table.

### UPCOMING:

Wed. 1/25 H.E.Y.  
Wed. 1/25 Birthday Wednesday  
Thur. 1/26 NHC Devotional  
Sun. 1/29 Home Devotional @ Keeles

*Pride is the most peculiar disease known to humans. It makes nearly everybody sick except the one who has it.*

## "Him We Preach"

The religious world is characterized by confusion. Groups claiming allegiance to Jesus teach conflicting doctrines and engage in divergent practices. Tradition often trumps biblical authority. Nevertheless, Scripture steadfastly calls followers of Christ to be united. Paul's admonition to the Corinthians continues to ring clearly: "Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Corinthians 1:10 NKJV). Importantly, this unity is not empty; it is based upon truth. We unite by teaching and following God's plan. But where do we begin? Paul set the course in his letter to the Colossians by writing: "Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus" (Colossians 1:28). Notice two important thoughts from this text.

We must preach Jesus. Rather than basing our religious beliefs and practices upon man and his traditions, we must focus upon Jesus. We preach Jesus because He is the one who died for our sins; He is the one who enables us to have forgiveness. We must never become so focused upon today's messenger (or agenda) that we forget Jesus, for He warned: "He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him—the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day" (John 12:48). With our eyes, we must "see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone" (Hebrews 2:9). With our ears, we must listen to God's beloved Son, and "Hear Him!" (Matthew 17:5). If we do this properly, we will proclaim Him with our lips and follow Him with our lives (cf. Matthew 15:8).

Preaching Jesus requires us to both warn and teach. Although warning others is not always pleasant, it is necessary. Individuals must be told that they will stand before the judgment seat of Christ (2 Corinthians 5:10). At the same time, instruction must be given regarding how to obey and follow the Lord. As Paul told Timothy, the preacher must: "Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching" (2 Timothy 4:2). Ultimately, we must point men to the only hope of the world—Jesus Christ. Him we preach!

~ Chad Ramsey ~

*(Chad will be preaching at our Gospel Meeting this year, April 9-12 of this year. For those of you who may not know, Chad grew up at Bybee Branch when his father Glenn was the preacher here.)*

## Try Harder

I'm convinced that many of us may not resist the temptation to sin as we should. It's not that we want to sin, for we don't. It's just that when temptation crosses our path, we don't fight it as though we were in a life or death struggle. We may resist, but the resistance is only token.

Not long ago, a friend of mine gave a lecture in which he raised the question, "What if every time we sinned, an ugly scar appeared upon our face? How much harder would we resist sin? Good question. None of us would like to have our faces scarred. Scars to our faces would be embarrassing,

affecting our relationships and our behavior. I'm sure we would tenaciously fight the temptation of sin if succumbing meant a big scar on our faces. You see where I'm going, right? Why should we fight harder to preserve our temporal flesh than we would to preserve our eternal soul? The fact that we can't see the scars sin leaves upon us doesn't mean they're not there. Friends, resist the temptation to sin, using not just a token resistance before you succumb, but a persistence that reflects a life and death struggle.

~ Steve Higginbotham ~